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SUBJECT: R/V THOMAS WASHINGTON CLEARANCE

REF: (A) STATE 42391 (NOTAL), (B) JAKARTA 932 (NOTAL),
(C) JAKARTA 649 (NOTAL)

1. EMBASSY AND JOE WIDARTOYO, RESPONSIBLE OFFICER AT
MINISTRY OF MINES, UNAWARE OF ANY GOI REVOCATION (AS
REPORTED REF. A) OF CLERANCES FOR SCRIPPS OCEANOGRAPHIC
RESEARCH VESSEL THOMAS WASHINGTON WORKING IN INDONESIAN WATERS
UNDER GOI AND CCOP MULTILATERAL PROGRAM. EMBASSY SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY ATTACHE LITTLEWOOD HOLDS COPY OF DEFENSE MINISTRY
CLEARANCES TO MINISTRY OF MINES, DATED 18 JANUARY, AS
CONFIRMED REF. B, 20 JANUARY (INADVERTENTLY SENT AIDAC,
CORRECTED BY JAKARTA 649). SHIP ARRIVED OFF SULAWESI
JANUARY 31, TOOK ABOARD GOI OFFICIALS, AND COMPLETED FIRST
LEG LOCAL RESEARCH OPERATIONS. SCHEDULE SHOWS SHIP IN
SINGAPORE FEBRUARY 24-25, DEPARTING FEBRUARY 26 FOR
NEXT LEG, NORTH OF SUMATRA.

2. NOT CLEAR WHETHER CABLE RECEIVED BY SCRIPPS "FROM
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GOI OFFICIAL" WAS FROM INDONESIAN EMBASSY, WASHINGTON,
D.C., OR FROM JAKARTA. RELAY COMPLETE TEXT SOONEST, OR
AT LEAST NAME OF ORIGINATING OFFICE OR GOI OFFICIAL.

3. WIDARTOYO AND LITTLEWOOD SPECULATE CONFUSION MAY
BE WITH PRESIDENTIAL-ORDERED GENERAL BAN ON FIELD
RESEARCH DURING PRE-ELECTION AND ELECTION PERIOD,

FEBRUARY 15 TO MAY 15, AND FACT THAT ALL INDONESIAN EMBASSIES AND CONSULATES HAVE BEEN TOLD NOT TO ISSUE RESEARCH VISAS UNTIL END OF MAY. IF, FOR EXAMPLE, THOMAS WASHINGTON SCIENTISTS APPLIED TO INDONESIAN EMBASSY, SINGAPORE FOR RESEARCH VISAS OR VISA CHANGE, EMBASSY THERE UNLIKELY TO GRANT THEM, NOT KNOWING ABOUT SHIP CLEARANCE. FYI: THE GERMAN RESEARCH SHIP VALDIVIA, WHICH ALSO WORKING UNDER CCOP PROGRAM AND WITH AUSTRALIANS ABOARD, RECEIVED ITS GOI CLEARANCE ONLY FEBRUARY 14. NOW UNDERSTAND ITS PERSONNEL UNABLE TO OBTAIN VISAS DUE BAN MENTIONED ABOVE.

4. ACTION: DIFFICULT TO DEVELOP FURTHER INFO OVER WEEKEND. MEANWHILE SUGGEST SCRIPPS NOT RPT NOT RECALL SHIP. FOR SINGAPORE: IF R/V THOMAS WASHINGTON STILL IN PORT, PLEASE EXPLAIN SITUATION TO CAPTAIN AND SENIOR SCIENTIST, AND SUGGEST THEY STAY IN PORT, IF POSSIBLE UNTIL CLARIFICATION, OR OTHERWISE CONTINUE PROGRAM. ALSO INQUIRE FROM SHIP IF THEY SOUGHT RESEARCH VISAS FROM INDONESIAN EMBASSY, SINGAPORE. DO NOT RPT NOT APPROACH INDONESIAN EMBASSY THERE, AS BEST TACTICS WOULD SEEM TO FIND SOURCE OF PROBLEM AND MAKE CORRECTION WITHOUT WIDESPREAD DISCUSSIONS. EMBASSY WILL REPORT FURTHER ASAP.
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